

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A sealing system comprising of at least two parts being a longitudinal strip profile (10) and a sealing material, both adapted in combination to maintain a sealed joint between relatively vertical and horizontal surfaces, the strip profile (10) comprising a first upper limb (11) having an upper limb upper boundary (12) and an upper limb lower boundary (13) between which there extends an upper limb inner face (17) and an upper limb outer face (14), and from which upper limb inner face (17) or upper limb boundaries (12, 13) there extends at least one second outer limb (18) having an outer limb inner boundary (19) attached to the upper limb (11) and an outer limb outer boundary (33) between which outer limb boundaries (19, 33) there extends an outer limb upper face (20) and an outer limb lower face (21), characterized in that the longitudinal strip profile (10) is semi-flexible and the at least one second outer limb is flexible and further characterized in that there extends from the upper limb inner face (17), the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) the outer limb outer boundary (33), at least a third flexible inner limb (22) filler material adapted to sealingly engage an uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) the outer limb lower face (21), wherein the third flexible inner limb (22) is adapted to sealingly engage the uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) or the outer limb lower face (21) by the provision of one or more ribs (27) which extend into the uncured sealing material, the ribs (27) being located on the inner limb lower face (26) between the inner limb inner boundary (23) and the inner limb outer boundary (24).

2. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein flexibility in the strip profile (10) is achieved through adjustment of the sectional wall thickness or co-extruding flexible material at selected points in the strip profile.

3. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein the inner limb (22) or filler material form or anchor a sealant reservoir or directly engage the sealing material with the horizontal surface, in substantial isolation from the remainder of the strip profile.

4. (Currently Amended) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein additional inner limbs or filler material extend or connect together from the upper limb inner face (~~17~~) (17), the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) or the outer limb outer boundary (33).

5. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein that part of the strip profile (10) in contact with sealing material being at the interface between the strip and the horizontal and vertical surfaces has a plurality of ribs, recesses, barbs or holes (31) to contact and grip a sealing material or an adhesive material.

6. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein the outer limb upper face (20) is adapted to throw off water over the complementary sealing material.

7. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein the strip profile (10) has a flexible lip along the uppermost boundary (12) of the first upper limb (11) and the outermost boundary of the second outer limb (18) to engage irregular vertical and horizontal surfaces respectively.

8. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1, wherein the height of the first upper limb (11) is reduced through the provision of a least one score line (28) allowing the easy tearing off of a longitudinal section of strip.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) The sealing system of Claim 1 ~~Claim 9~~ wherein the ribs (27) have substantially bulbous heads which mechanically grip and are imbedded into the sealing material.

11. (Currently Amended) The sealing system of Claim 3, wherein additional inner limbs or filler material extend or connect together from the upper limb inner face (17), (~~17~~) the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) or the outer limb outer boundary (33).

12. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 11, wherein that part of the strip profile (10) in contact with sealing material is at the interface between the strip and the horizontal and vertical surfaces and has a plurality of ribs, recesses, barbs or holes (31) to contact and grip a sealing material or an adhesive material.

13. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 12, wherein the outer limb upper face (20) is adapted to throw off water over the complementary sealing material.

14. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 13, wherein the strip profile (10) has a flexible lip along the uppermost boundary (12) of the upper limb (11) and the outermost boundary of the second outer limb (18) to engage irregular vertical and horizontal surfaces respectively.

15. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 14, wherein the height of the first upper limb (11) is reduced through the provision of a least one score line (28) allowing the easy tearing off of a longitudinal section of strip.

16. (Currently Amended) A sealing system comprising of at least two parts being a longitudinal strip profile (10) and a sealing material, both adapted in combination to maintain a sealed joint between relatively vertical and horizontal surfaces, the strip profile (10) comprising a first upper limb (11) having an upper limb upper boundary (12) and an upper limb lower boundary (13) between which there extends an upper limb inner face (17) and an upper limb outer face (14), and from which upper limb inner face (17) or upper limb boundaries (12, 13) there extends at least one second outer limb (18) having an outer limb inner boundary (19) attached to the upper limb (11) and an outer limb outer boundary (33) between which outer limb boundaries (19, 33) there extends an outer limb upper face (20) and an outer limb lower face (21), characterized in that the longitudinal strip profile (10) is semi-flexible and the at least one second outer limb is flexible and further characterized in that there extends from the upper limb inner face (17), the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) the outer limb outer boundary (33), at least a third flexible inner limb (22) filler material adapted to sealingly engage an uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) the outer limb lower face (21), The

sealing system of Claim 14 wherein the inner limb (22) or filler material form or anchor a sealant reservoir or directly engage the sealing material with the horizontal surface, in substantial isolation from the remainder of the strip profile, wherein additional inner limbs or filler material extend or connect together from the upper limb inner face (17), the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) or the outer limb outer boundary (33), wherein that part of the strip profile (10) in contact with sealing material is at the interface between the strip and the horizontal and vertical surfaces and has a plurality of ribs, recesses, barbs or holes (31) to contact and grip a sealing material or an adhesive material, wherein the outer limb upper face (20) is adapted to throw off water over the complementary sealing material, wherein the strip profile (10) has a flexible lip along the uppermost boundary (12) of the upper limb (11) and the outermost boundary of the second outer limb (18) to engage irregular vertical and horizontal surfaces respectively, wherein the third flexible inner limb (22) is adapted to sealingly engage the uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) or the outer limb lower face (21) by the provision of one or more ribs (27) which extend into the uncured sealing material, the ribs (27) being located on the inner limb lower face (26) between the inner limb inner boundary (23) and the inner limb outer boundary (24).

17. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 16 wherein the ribs (27) have substantially bulbous heads which act as barbs to mechanically grip and be imbedded into the sealing material.

18. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 1 wherein the third flexible inner limb is connected to the first upper limb by a first co-extruding flexible material.

19. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 18 wherein the third flexible inner limb is connected to the second outer limb by a second co-extruding flexible material.

20. (Currently Amended) A sealing system comprising of at least two parts being a longitudinal strip profile (10) and a sealing material, both adapted in combination to maintain a sealed joint between relatively vertical and horizontal surfaces, the strip profile (10) comprising a first upper limb (11) having an upper limb upper boundary (12) and an upper limb lower boundary (13) between which there extends an upper limb inner face (17) and an upper limb outer face (14), and from which upper limb inner face (17) or upper limb boundaries (12, 13) there extends at least one second outer limb (18) having an outer limb inner boundary (19) attached to the upper limb (11) and an outer limb outer boundary (33) between which outer limb boundaries (19, 33) there extends an outer limb upper face (20) and an outer limb lower face (21), characterized in that the longitudinal strip profile (10) is semi-flexible and the at least one second outer limb is flexible and further characterized in that there extends from the upper limb inner face (17), the upper limb lower boundary (13), the outer limb lower face (21) the outer limb outer boundary (33), at least a third flexible inner limb (22) filler material adapted to sealingly engage an uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) the outer limb lower face (21), wherein the third flexible inner limb (22) is adapted to sealingly engage the uncured sealing material and to aid the full or substantial isolation of the uncured sealing material from the upper limb inner face (17) or the outer limb lower face (21) by the provision of one or more ribs (27) which extend into the uncured sealing material, the ribs (27) being located on the inner limb lower face (26) between the inner limb inner boundary (23) and the inner limb outer boundary

~~(24). The sealing system of Claim 1~~ wherein the third flexible inner limb is connected to the second outer limb by a co-extruding flexible material.

21. (Previously Presented) The sealing system of Claim 20 further comprising a fourth limb (50) connected to the first upper limb forming a chamber (49) wherein the third flexible inner limb can engage the fourth limb (50) at chamber (49).

22. (New) The sealing system of Claim 20, wherein the inner limb (22) or filler
5 material form or anchor a sealant reservoir or directly engage the sealing material with the horizontal surface, in substantial isolation from the remainder of the strip profile